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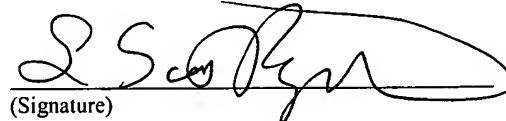
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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed 26 October 2006, please consider the following. A further extension of time to respond up to and including 2 November 2006, along with a credit card payment authorization form for the requisite fee of \$165 is included herewith, which is the difference between the previously paid extension fee of \$60 and the two month extension fee of \$225 (\$225-\$60=\$165). Please charge any additional fees which may be due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-2424, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

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